

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF DAWSON }
CITY OF LAMESA }

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR CALLED MEETING:

March 19, 2024

On this the 19th day of March 2024, at 5:30 P.M., there came on and was held a regularly called meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Dawson County, Texas. Notice of such meeting having been posted at the City Hall at 601 South First Street in the City of Lamesa, Texas in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551). The following items were listed on the notice and the following proceedings were had, viz.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Stevens announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551), and that discussion and actions are limited to the agenda items as posted. A quorum being present as evidenced by the presence 4 City Council Members were present:

JOSH STEVENS	Mayor
VACANT	Council Member – District 1
FRED VERA	Council Member – District 2
GLORIA V. RODRIGUEZ	Council Member – District 3 (ABSENT)
DANNY JACOBS	Council Member - District 4 Mayor Pro Tem
BOBBY G. GONZALES	Council Member – District 5
VACANT	Council Member – District 6

City staff members present at the meeting:

JOE HINES	CITY MANAGER (ABSENT)
BETTY CONDE	CITY SECRETARY
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	CITY ATTORNEY

Members of the press present at the meeting:

Mary Elizabeth

Members of the public present at the meeting:

Norma Garcia	Wayne Chapman	Sandy Trevino	Irma Ramirez
Brian Beck	Larry Duyck	Josh Peterson	Dionicio Garza Jr
Sonia Vara	Robert Ramirez		

INVOCATION: Bobby Gonzales

CONSENT AGENDA: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Information concerning consent agenda items is available for public review

- a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the council meeting held on February 20, 2024.
- b. **BILLS FOR FEBRUARY 2024:** Approval of the bills paid by the City of Lamesa for the month of February, 2024.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve Item 3 a and b. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RACIAL PROFILING REPORT: Presentation of the annual racial profiling report from the Police Department. (*Chief Josh Peterson*)

Josh Peterson presented report.

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 4, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION, ELECTED TO OFFICE; CANCELING THE ELECTION IN DISTRICT ONE (1), DISTRICT FOUR (4), AND DISTRICT FIVE (5) PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE: Consider passing an ordinance on first reading declaring the unopposed candidate for the 2024, General Election, to be held on May 4, 2024. Council member District (1) Hayden Davis, Council Member District (4), Danny Jacobs, Council Member District (5), Bobby Gonzales elected to office. (*City Secretary*)

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to pass an ordinance on first reading declaring the unopposed candidate for the 2024 General Election, to be held on May 4, 2024. Council member District (1) Hayden Davis, Council Member District (4), Danny Jacobs, Council Member District (5), Bobby Gonzales elected to office. Motion seconded by Council Member Bobby Gonzales and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF LAMESA SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024: Consider passing resolution appointing a presiding judge and alternate judge for the 2024 City of Lamesa Special Election and a presiding judge for the Early Voting Ballot Board; clerks for early balloting; and to provide for compensation of services for the 2024 City Election to be held on May 4, 2024. (*City Secretary*)

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to pass a resolution appointing a presiding judge and alternate judge for the 2024 Special Election to be held on May 4, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAMESA AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ONCOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TEN CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC: City Council to consider authorizing continued participation with the steering committee of cities served by Oncor and authorizing the payment of ten cents per capita to the steering committee. *(City Manager*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to pass a resolution authorizing continued participation with the steering committee of cities served by Oncor and authorizing the payment of ten cents per capita to the steering committee. Motion seconded by Council Member Fred Vera and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAMESA TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 13, ENTITLED "UTILITIES" ARTICLE 13.04 WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCY OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LAMESA, TEXAS ADOPTING A DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN: Consider passing an ordinance on first reading approving revisions to the Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan; establishing criteria for the initiation and termination of drought response stages; establishing restrictions on certain water uses; establishing penalties for the violation of and provisions for enforcement of these restrictions; and establishing procedures for granting variances as required by Section 11.1272 of the Water Code of the State of Texas. *(Director of Utilities)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to pass the ordinance on First-reading amending Chapter 13, Entitled "Utilities" Article 13.04 Water Supply Emergency of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lamesa, Texas adopting a Drought Contingency Plan. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

BUDGET AMENDMENT II: City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-13-23 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. *This budget amendment reflects the receipts of the Texas A&M Forrest Service Grant of \$20,000.00 for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). (City Manager & Finance Director)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to consider amending Ordinance O-13-23 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Bobby Gonzales and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

REQUEST FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT: City Council to consider approving an Ordinance on second reading approving a specific use permit for the following property located at 1209 S. 2nd Street Lamesa, Texas 79331 for a manufactured home. *(City Inspector)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to consider approving an Ordinance on second reading approving a Specific Use Permit for the following property located at located at 1209 South 2nd Street Lamesa, Texas, for a manufactured home owned by Monica Uvalle. Motion seconded by Council Member Fred Vera and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

- a. **UTILITIES DIRECTOR REPORT:** Utilities Director to report on the city's recent events.
- b. **LAMESA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE:** Golf Course Director to report on the city's recent events.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Finance Director to report on the city's finances.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: City Manager to report on current activities and answer questions from the City Council.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor to report on current activities and to answer questions from City Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council to consider convening into closed executive session regarding:

Section 551.074 Texas Government Code: personnel matters regarding to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to convene in closed executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: City Council to reconvene into open session to consider and discuss taking action.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzalez to appoint:

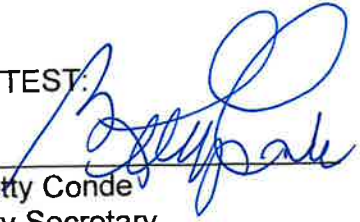
Angie Hernandez
Mona Ferguson
Hayden Davis
Darby Hatchett
Jeremiah Aguayo
Jaime Galindo

Dora Armendariz and Joe Hines to the Keep Lamesa Beautiful. Motion seconded by Council Member Dann Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 4 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

ADJOURNMENT: *The next regularly scheduled meetings of the City Council of the City of Lamesa will be March 19, 2024, at 5:30 P.M.*

ATTEST:


Betty Conde
City Secretary

APPROVED:


Josh Stevens
Mayor